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Isobel Pollock-Hulf OBE became a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Engineers in 2003, a Court Assistant in 2008 and is Immediate Past Master from 25th April 2017.

She promotes Engineering, Measurement and Manufacturing following a successful career with large Yorkshire based multi-nationals including 10 years at ICI Huddersfield and DuPont Howson in Leeds. Isobel works as a consultant focusing on Technology Roadmapping with SMEs.

For over 30 years she has been an active volunteer member of her professional Institution both in Yorkshire and throughout the UK. She was the 127th President of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers in 2012, only the second lady in 165 years. She also rejuvenated the IMechE Heritage Awards scheme and presented over 40 awards to places of significant mechanical engineering heritage. In 2015, she became a Trustee of the HMS Warrior 1860 Preservation Trust and is currently involved in a major renovation project partially funded by a Heritage Lottery Grant.

She led the Engineering Council 2014 review of the UK Standards for Professional Engineering (UK-SPEC) requirements for Chartered, Incorporated Engineers and Engineering Technicians.

From 1999 to 2011, Isobel was a Trustee of the AUDI Design Foundation and in 2015, became a Trustee of the Design & Technology Association. As Patron of WES (Women's Engineering Society), she is currently working with WISE (Women into Science and Engineering) and the Bloodhound project to promote STEM to the next generation of engineers.

She chaired the National Measurement and Regulation Office (NMRO) Steering Board (2013 – 2016). She is a member of the Science and Technology Advisory Council (STAC) at National Physical Laboratory (NPL, Teddington) and chairs the Programme Expert Group (PEG) for Quantum, Electromagnetics and Time (QET) on behalf of the Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS).

In 2004, she received an Honorary Doctorate from University of Huddersfield and was appointed to the University of Huddersfield Council in 2015. She is a visiting professor at the University of Leeds in the School of Mechanical Engineering and received an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Leeds in 2016. In 2016 she was made an Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineering Technology (IET).

She was appointed OBE in 2014 for services to mechanical engineering. On 23rd June 2016, she was named as one of the Top 50 Women in Engineering in the Daily Telegraph.

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